

MERCED IRRIGATION DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-24

MERCED INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN **PLANNING GRANT PROPOSAL**

WHEREAS, Merced Irrigation District is one of three agencies along with the City and County of Merced (collectively referred to as "Merced") required by law (SB 1672) to initiate an Integrated Regional Water Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, Merced submitted a Region Acceptance Process Plan, for the area to be involved in the Merced Regional Water Management Plan, to the Department of Water Resources ("DWR") pursuant to DWR's criteria; and

WHEREAS, Merced region is the hydrologic area that includes the entire Merced Groundwater Basin area in addition to the Merced River watershed north and contiguous to the Merced Groundwater Basin; and

WHEREAS, Merced received a conditional approval from DWR for its region, which makes it eligible for a planning grant funded by the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 (Proposition 84); and

WHEREAS, the plan is needed to define governance, stakeholders participation, involvement of the disadvantaged community, and the sought projects in Merced; and

WHEREAS, the Merced Irrigation District Board of Directors is always in support of efforts to maintain the reliability of water related activities that make the economic engine for Merced; and

WHEREAS, the Merced Irrigation District Board of Directors recognizes the multi-benefits of the Integrated Regional Water Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Merced Irrigation District Board of Directors supports such projects for local and statewide resource benefits; and

WHEREAS, the Merced Irrigation District Board of Directors requests the California Department of Water Resources to support this planning grant proposal its overall perpetual benefit to water and the economy of the Merced Integrated Regional Water Management region.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of Merced Irrigation District that pursuant and subject to all of the terms and provisions of the Integrated Regional Water Management Planning Grant solicitation, pursuant to the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Costal Protection Bond Act of 2006 and amendments hereto, application by this Merced Irrigation District be made to the California Department of Water Resources to obtain a planning grant to fund the formation of a governance board and group structure among other tasks.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the Merced Irrigation District, will contribute, upon execution of a planning grant agreement, 25% of the total value of the planning grant in a combination of in-kind services and monetary contribution. Said combination shall not exceed \$250,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the General Manager, of the Merced Irrigation District, or his designee, is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary data, make investigations, sign, and file such application with the California Department of Water Resources.

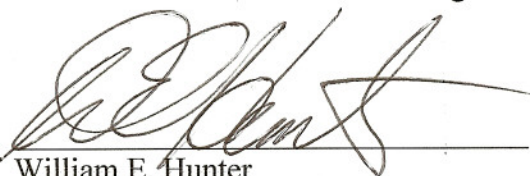
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John Sweigard
General Manager

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 21st day of September 2010, by the Board of Directors of the Merced Irrigation District, by the following vote:

Ayes:	Directors:	Hunter, Hultgren, Pedretti, Pellissier
Noes:	Directors:	None
Abstain:	Directors:	None
Absent:	Directors:	Long



William E. Hunter
President
Merced Irrigation District



Suzy Hultgren
Vice President/Secretary
Merced Irrigation District